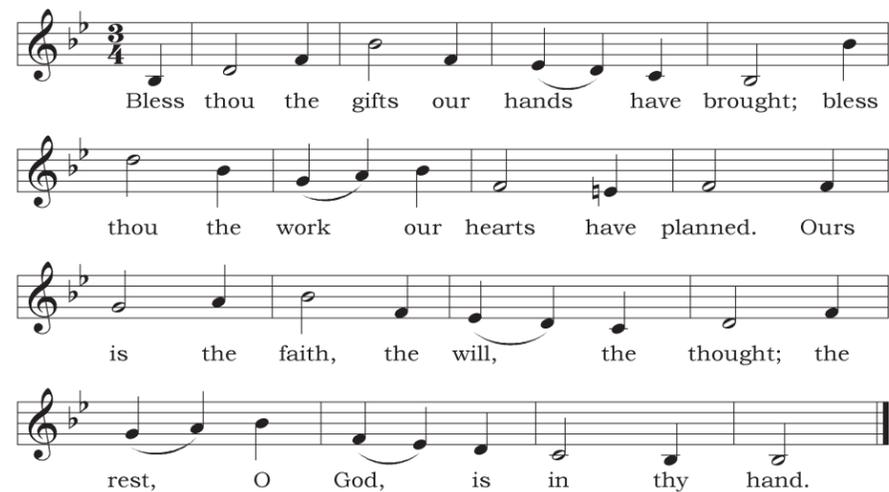


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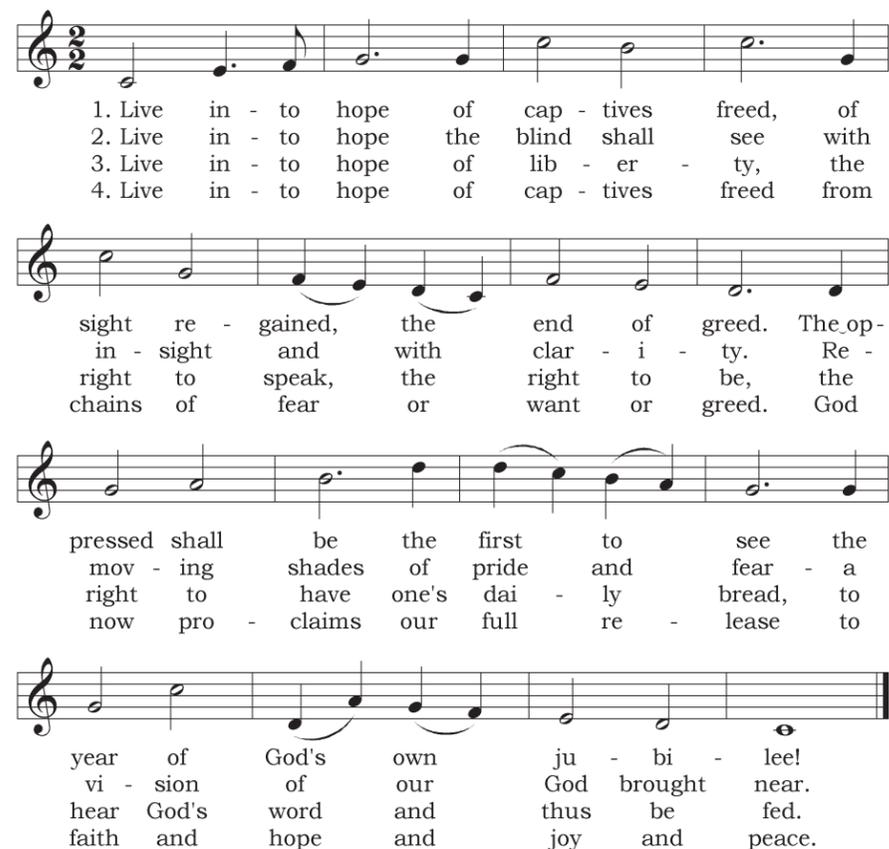


Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless  
 thou the work our hearts have planned. Ours  
 is the faith, the will, the thought; the  
 rest, O God, is in thy hand.

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

### \* BENEDICTION

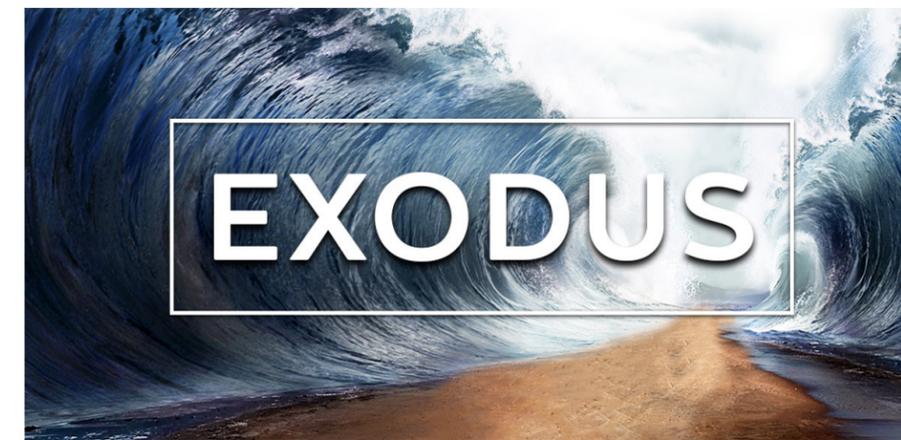
### \* HYMN Live Into Hope



1. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, of  
 2. Live in - to hope the blind shall see with  
 3. Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, the  
 4. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed from  
 sight re - gained, the end of greed. The op -  
 in - sight and with clar - i - ty. Re -  
 right to speak, the right to be, the  
 chains of fear or want or greed. God  
 pressed shall be the first to see the  
 mov - ing shades of pride and fear - a  
 right to have one's dai - ly bread, to  
 now pro - claims our full re - lease to  
 year of God's own ju - bi - lee!  
 vi - sion of our God brought near.  
 hear God's word and thus be fed.  
 faith and hope and joy and peace.

### CLOSING MUSIC

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## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 18, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

## WELCOME

Because we believe that every person is a beloved child of God, on a journey to God, with God, we welcome ALL people, *without exception*, to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of this church. For a description of our worship services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays and at 6:30 a.m. on Thursdays, visit our website at [fumcaustin.org](http://fumcaustin.org).

## FAMILY ROOM

For parents with infants and toddlers, our Family Room, located in the balcony, offers rockers, books, toys, and a comfortable place for diaper changes. Childcare provided by our well-trained childcare staff is also available in Room 103 and 104 of the Education Building. Please ask an usher for assistance.

## SUNDAY PARKING

For mobility-impaired individuals as well as those needing close-in parking, reserved handicap and accessible parking spaces are designated by signage along the wall of the Trial Lawyers' building. All able-bodied members are asked to use the free parking in the Trial Lawyer's garage at the southwest corner of 13th and Lavaca Streets and at open meters around the church.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Richard and Marilyn Bettis in joyous celebration of their 17th wedding anniversary.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher*

Reverend Michael Mumme

*Liturgist*

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Reverend Cathy Stone

*Music Director/Organist*

Scott Davis

*Conductor*

Mario Contreras

## WORSHIP MUSIC

*Bless Thou the Gifts*

Words: Samuel Longfellow

Music: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM - *Grenoble Antiphoner*; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan William

*Live Into Hope*

Words: Jane Parker Smith

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Music: TRURO - Thomas Williams

## GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

*Asterisks (\*) indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.*

### OPENING MUSIC

#### GREETING

*All are invited to greet those around them and to fill out the Connections Card. During Lent you are invited to write prayers for new life for yourself, for others, for our world on the paper butterflies available in the pews. Place your Connections Card and butterflies in the offering plate.*

*Response:* I was glad when they said to me,  
**“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”**

Psalm 122:1

## ENTERING THE HOLY

**INTROIT**      What Wondrous Love Is This      Southern Harmony

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb  
who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme I will sing.

American Folk Hymn

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

How shall we live in the love of God?  
**We will treat one another with fairness and dignity.**  
How shall we witness God’s forgiving love?  
**We will reach out to others with compassion.**  
Come, let us worship God who has always loved us.  
**Let our worship of God**  
**be reflected in our lives of hope and peace.**  
**Amen.**

\* **HYMN 117**      O God, Our Help in Ages Past

### OPENING PRAYER

**FAITH MOMENT**      Elizabeth Lerner

**ANTHEM**      I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes      Malcolm Archer

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,  
from whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh even from the Lord  
who made heaven and earth.  
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved  
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep;  
behold, he that keepeth Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep.  
The Lord himself is thy keeper,  
the Lord is thy defense upon thy right hand;  
so that the sun shall not burn thee by day,  
neither the moon by night.  
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil.  
Yea, it is he, even he that shall keep thy soul.

Psalm 121

## HEARING GOD’S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God of Deliverance,**  
**prepare our lives by the hearing of your word,**  
**and the indwelling of The Word in our lives,**  
**that we might be ready to go forth in your name**  
**when you call.**  
**Amen.**

**HYMN 110**      A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
*Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated as the children come forward.*

#### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Exodus 6-11

**HYMN 110**      A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
*Stanza 4 sung seated as the children return to their seats.*

**SCRIPTURE**      Exodus 12:1-14      Old Testament, page 56

**SERMON**      Ready, Set, Go!

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we pray, please join in the following response:  
God of the Exodus,  
**lead your people to Freedom.**

## THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**  
**hallowed be thy name.**  
**Thy kingdom come,**  
**thy will be done**  
**on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**And forgive us our trespasses,**  
**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**  
**And lead us not into temptation,**  
**but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom,**  
**and the power,**  
**and the glory, forever.**  
**Amen.**

#### INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

*Are you interested in joining FUMC? Prior to joining, we ask all to participate in a First Steps Class to learn about Methodist beliefs and the ministry of FUMC, meet the pastors and other members, and ask questions. To sign up, fill out the Connections Card during worship and place it in the offering plate or email Trevor Harper at [trevor@fumcaustin.org](mailto:trevor@fumcaustin.org). The next class is April 15 at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.*

**OFFERING**      My Eternal King      Jane Marshall

My God, I love thee;  
not because I hope for heaven thereby,  
nor yet because who love thee not  
must die eternally.  
Thou, O my Jesus,  
thou didst me upon the cross embrace;  
for me didst bear the nails and spear,  
and manifold disgrace.  
Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ,  
should I not love thee well?  
Not for the hope of winning heaven,  
or of escaping hell;  
not with the hope of gaining aught,  
not seeking a reward;  
but as thyself hast loved me,  
O ever-loving Lord!  
E’en so I love thee, and will love,  
and in thy praise will sing;  
solely because thou art my God,  
and my Eternal King!

17th Century Latin; trans. Rev. Edward Caswall